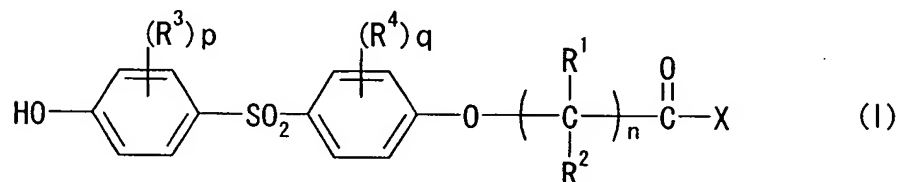


ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a recording material which has excellent background stability, specifically heat resistance and heat and humidity resistance of the background. The recording material containing a color forming dye is characterized by containing at least one kind of diphenylsulfone derivative represented by the general formula (I):



(wherein R^1 and R^2 each represents a hydrogen atom or a C1 to C6 alkyl group, n represents an integer of 1 to 6, R^3 and R^4 each represents a halogen atom, a C1 to C6 alkyl group, etc., p and q each represents an integer of 0 to 4, X represents OR^5 or NR^6R^7 wherein R^5 represents a C1 to C6 alkyl group, a C1 to C6 hydroxyalkyl group, or a C1 to C6 alkoxy-C1 to C6 alkyl group, and R^6 and R^7 each represents a hydrogen atom, a C1 to C6 alkyl group, etc).